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SUBJ: EEC DEMARCHE ON NAMIBIA

1. SIR DAVID SCOTT HAS JUST INFORMED ME THAT THIS MORNING
HE MADE DEMARCHE TO FON MIN MULLER ABOUT NAMIBIA ON BEHALF
OF THE EEC COUNTRIES. BURDEN OF THE NOTE HE DELIVERED WAS:

(A) TURNHALLE CANNOT BE SUBSTITUTE FOR NEGOTIATIONS
WITH ALL PARTIES CONCERNED, INCLUDING SWAPO;

(B) ALL PARTIES, INCLUDING SAG AND SWAPO, SHOULD CARE-
FULLY EXPLORE ALL POSSIBILITIES FOR A SOLUTION WHICH WILL
ATTRACT INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT;

(C) EARLY CONSIDERATION MUST BE GIVEN TO A CONFERENCE
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UNDER UN AUSPICES IN EFFORT TO BRING POSITIONS OF ALL
CONCERNED CLOSER TOGETHER IN INTEREST OF PEACEFUL AND
RAPID PROGRAM TOWARD INDEPENDENCE;

(D) EEC REGARDS THESE AS REQUIREMENTS FOR
SETTLEMENT WHICH WILL ATTRACT INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT: (1)
EARLY SAG WITHDRAWAL FROM NAMIBIA; (2) EARLY EXERCISE BY
NAMIBIA INHABITANTS OF RIGHT TO SELF-DETERMINATION AND

INDEPENDENCE; (3) EXERCISE OF THIS RIGHT SHOULD CONSIST OF OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS VIEWS ON POLITICAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL FUTURE OF WHOLE COUNTRY THROUGH A FULLY DEMOCRATIC PROCESS UNDER UN SUPERVISION; (4) ALL POLITICAL GROUPS, INCLUDING SWAPO, SHOULD BE FREE TO ENGAGE IN PEACEFUL POLITICAL ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT TERRITORY DURING SELF-DETERMINATION PROCESS, WHICH SHOULD INCLUDE SINGLE ELECTIO OR REFERENDUM ON A TERRITORY-WIDE BASIS, AND TO THIS END ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS SHOULD BE RELEASED AND EXILES PERMITTED TO RETURN.

2. SCOTT SAID THAT MULLER GAVE HIM WHAT IS NOW STANDARD SAG RESPONSE:

(A) RAPID PROGRESS IS NOW BEING MADE BY TURNHALLE WHICH TAKES ACCOUNT OF POINTS MADE EARLIER BY WESTERN COUNTRIES;

(B) HE HOPED, ONCE INTERIM GOVERNMENT IS ESTABLISHED, SOME MEANS COULD BE FOUND TO ESTABLISH DIALOGUE WITH SWAPO;

(C) HE IS CONCERNED THAT NO MATTER HOW MANY WESTERN PRE-CONDITIONS THE SAG WERE TO ACCEPT, THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY WOULD PROBABLY STILL REJECT WHAT WAS WORKED OUT.

3. MULLER RECOGNIZED THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE EEC CONCERN AND PROMISED TO SUPPLY ANSWER QUICKLY.

4. SCOTT SAID TONY DUFF CARRYING FULL TEXT OF NTTE TO WASHINGTON.
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